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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.
42525-0700 (BK25)

In Re Application Of: John F. Fairclough et al.

Serial No.
09/717,576

Filing Date
11-21-2000

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**Invention: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR VERIFYING, SETTLING, PRINTING AND GUARANTEEING
CHECKS AT A REMOTE LOCATION**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 12-10-2002 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: **March 10, 2003** *Date* until: **April 10, 2003** *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27.

- is enclosed.
 - has already been filed in this application.

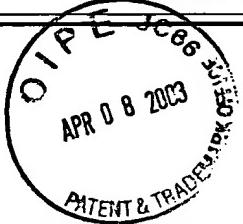
The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	4 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					0
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of \$55.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2814 in the amount of \$55.00
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2814
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- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-2814 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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